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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:  
Craig Jon HAWKER et al.

Serial No.: 10/092,641

Group Art Unit: 1711

Filing Date: March 6, 2002

Examiner: Unassigned

Title: PREPARATION OF CROSSLINKED PARTICLES FROM POLYMERS HAVING  
ACTIVATIBLE CROSSLINKING GROUPS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a preliminary amendment in the above patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
- ☒ Also enclosed: Return Postcard.
- ☒ No additional amendment fee is required.
- ☐ An additional amendment fee is required as calculated below.

No. of Claims After Amendment		Most Claims Previously Paid		Extra Claims				Additional Fee	
A. Total Claims	73	-	73	=	0	x	\$18	=	0.00
B. Ind. Claims	7	-	7	=	0	x	\$84	=	0.00
C. If amended to contain multiple dependent claims, add \$280							\$280	=	0.00
D. Total Amendment Fee (Total of A, B & C)								=	0.00
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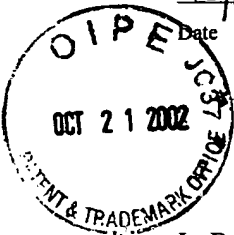
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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above. Prior to examination of the subject application, please enter the following amendments:

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add a new section to the first page of the specification prior to paragraph [0001], as indicated in Appendix A. The new section reads as follows:

Acknowledgement of Government Rights

A<sub>1</sub>  
The U.S. Government has a paid-up license in this invention and the right in limited circumstances to require the patent owner to license others on reasonable terms as provided for by the terms of Cooperative Agreement No. 70NANB8H4013 awarded by NIST (Advanced Technology Program).

This invention was made with United States Government support under the above-referenced Cooperative Agreement awarded by NIST. The United States Government has certain rights in the invention.